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SHORTENED INTERVAL BETWEEN SUCCESSIVE FED TWO SHEETS

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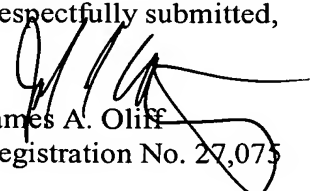
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- ☒ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.
- ☒ 2. Relevance of the non-English language reference is discussed in the present specification. (Ref. 7)
- ☒ 3. English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references are attached hereto. (Refs. 3-7)
- ☒ 4. Computer-generated English translations of the following Japanese Patent Publications have been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([<http://www.jpo.go.jp>]), and are attached, but have not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 3-6.

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